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#### Call for Nominations

This is your official call for nomination of officers to serve in the 1995-1996 term, as required by the bylaws.

#### Who must be nominated?

Candidates for the offices of President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and all District Governors. Each current officeholder is eligible to serve an additional term.

#### Who may make nominations?

Any individual member of TNA may nominate any individual who is a regular, associate or life member of TNA to the offices of President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Any TNA Chapter may nominate any individual who is a regular, associate or life member of TNA, and who also resides the Chapter's district, to the office of District Governor for that district.

#### What restrictions are there?

- 1) No one may serve as President unless he or she has previously served in an elective office of TNA.
- Any nominee who would handle or have access to TNA funds must be bondable.
- A nominee for an office of District Governor must be a resident of the district he or she would represent.
- 4) All nominees must be willing to serve, and must accept their nominations in writing.

#### How are nominations made?

They must be made in writing and must be accompanied by the nominee's acceptance, both of which are sent to the Secretary.

#### When must the nominations be received?

Not later than January 1, 1995.

#### What must each nominee do?

- 1) Agree to serve the Association to the best of his or her ability
- 2) Prepare a letter of acceptance to accompany the nomination.
- 3) Submit a short biographical sketch, suitable for publication in the  $\it TNA\ News$ , with the nomination.

# President's Message Joe Olson

Hello, TNA members. It was good to see many of you at our semiannual Board of Directors meeting, held in conjunction with the September Austin Texas Coin Club show. At the meeting, the Golden Spread Coin Club was awarded the Darrah Award, for being the club with the highest percentage of members who are also TNA members Congratulations to the Golden Spread Coin Club for a job well done.

The TNA is currently holding a membership drive. It would be wonderful if each and every current member were to sign up at least one new member between now and March.

Elections are forthcoming, as outlined in this issue. If you or someone you know would like to serve in any TNA office, please send your nominations and acceptance letters to Barbara Lowell as soon as possible. All nominations must be postmarked by December 31.

TNA dearly needs a publicity chairman, immediately. This position involves sending announcements and news briefs to various national state and local publications. In addition, the writing of articles for publication would be helpful and appreciated. Please consider serving TNA and promoting numismatics in this capacity

It is with great sadness that I must report the resignation of EL "Bob" Bills as District III Governor. Bob has done a fantastic job getting the folks in his district excited about and involved in numismatics and TNA. At the current time, however, Bob needs to devote more time to helping his wife, Doris, in her battle to overcome health problems. Our thanks and our prayers are with you both.

Our Coins for A's program is proving to be a big hit! A number of numismatic and financial donations have been received, and the report cards have started to arrive. Please continue to support and promote this fine new program.

Happy birthday to Lyman Bartee!

Many thanks to each of you for your loyalty, support and enthusiasm for numismatics.

Cordially, Joe





# From the 1st Vice President... Leo DeLand

Because the *TNA News* is published every other month, there won't be another chance to say this before we're busy into the holiday season, so here goes.

To get youngsters interested in numismatics, why not start setting aside some money now so you can give your youngster coins, paper money, or a related book at Christmas? Even if you use this gift as a "stocking stuffer," do everything you can on a recurring basis to get the younger generation more interested in pursuing a hobby.

I started "collecting" pennies about 1937-1938, when I was about 8 years old. I tried to get my dad to let me collect Buffalo nickels and Mercury dimes, but in those days money wae too "tight," so I was encouraged to collect pennies. It was fun to dig through change to see what new date could be added to the collection. Although the pieces were circulated, no thought was given to their condition. As a youngster, I really couldn't have cared less whether a coin graded Good or Extremely Fine If it wasn't in my little folder, it was a new find and a welcome addition.

In the August, 1994 issue of the *TNA News*, mention was made of the auction which will accompany the 1995 TNA convention. In order to have more time to sort the books and prepare the auction list, please ship your donations to me at:

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so they arrive no later than November 18, 1994. Remember, you can also send monetary donations to the dealers mentioned in the August newsletter. Again, please do so no later than November 18. That should, hopefully, leave enough time for me to prepare the list to send to Bob Metzger by early January, 1995.

George Bernard Shaw said it: "We must make the world honest before we can honestly say to our children that honesty is the best policy." 'Til the next time, be kind to each other out there.





# A Few Words From the Editor Bob Metzger

I think autumn is my favorite time of year. The extreme heat of the summer has subsided, making my daily, late afternoon, five-mile jog a true pleasure. Footballs are flying through the air, and the kids are back in school, meeting new teachers and embarking on new educational journeys. My 9-year-old son, Ariel, is looking forward to getting signed up for basketball, and my 15-year-old son, Aidan, is preparing for his first high school swim meet of the year and, in March, his first trip to Junior Nationals, for which he has already qualified. My wife has landed her first full time teaching position, in the Round Rock ISD, a nice payoff after earning her degree at the University of Texas while working as a full time mom.

This is also the time of each even-numbered year that we need to nominate candidates to lead TNA for the next two years. Please be sure to read the Call for Nominations on page 5, and help make sure that TNA continues to have strong, effective leadership. Don't leave it up to the other guy - he's probably planning on leaving it up to YOU! Get those nominations, letters of acceptance and brief biographies in immediately.

You have probably noticed already that this is a pretty fat issue of the TNA News. Well, there's a lot of club news, as has become the usual case, but there's also quite a bit of news about individuals who have been honored for their numismatic activities. Read about those folks. and you'll see one very common thread. Just about everyone of these people has been very active working with young collectors. Both the TNA and the ANA recognize the importance of this work. I don't know about you, but I started collecting coins when I was about seven years old. I must have looked through the coins in my grandmother's piggy bank a thousand times. Coins that went in that pig in EF45, were probably VG8 by the time I had convinced myself that I didn't need to check them over "just one more time." Even though I got distracted from the hobby a few years later (Miss Liberty is attractive, but living, breathing girls are even more attractive to a teenage boy), I returned to the hobby in adulthood. Both of my kids are interested in numismatics, and even though Aidan is currently experiencing some of the same distractions that I did, he often expresses interest in my acquisitions of books, tokens, or coins. I think many people's collecting history is much like Aidan's and mine.

As you should already know, TNA has recently embarked on a program of its own to encourage kids to become involved with numismatics, and has tied it to excellence in academics. Our Coins for A's program looks like a winner! Report cards have just started to be issued for this new school year, so there hasn't been much of a chance for the kids to send them in yet, but the donations from adults have been very impressive. Thus far, I have received donations of numismatic

material or cash from the Tyler Coin Club, South Plains Coin Club, Heart of Texas Coin Club, Helen Snider, Barbara Lowell, Frank Clark, Ray Whyborn and a gentleman identifying himself only as "John" from Plano. Coins have been distributed to 3rd-grader Jacob Morris, of Moore Elementary in Cypress-Fairbanks ISD, El Paso ISD 6th-grader Angela Miller, and Ariel Metzger, 4th-grader at Faubion Elementary in Leander ISD. I expect any day now to find a pile of mail from the districts where I know or strongly suspect that the program has been heavily promoted: Fort Bend, El Paso, Cypress-Fairbanks, Leander, Ausitn and Round Rock, to name but a few. Please take the time to photocopy the announcement on page 10 of this issue and distribute it at your local schools. Have your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews and neighbors carry copies of it to their teachers. I personally have handed copies of it to various school administrators and teachers in Leander, and it has been well-received I will be taking copies for distribution at Brown Elementary in Austin ISD, where I am doing some volunteer work as a mathematics tutor. My wife has given copies to the teachers at Fulkes Middle School in Round Rock, where she is now teaching. If each of us takes the initiative to promote the program, I truly believe it will take off in a big way. In anticipation of that scenario, let's keep those donations coming in, too! If you need any more reason to promote numismatics and education, and the close ties between them, be sure and read James Taylor's Money Talks script on page 11 of this newsletter. Heck, you may want to take the whole newsletter when you are done with it and "recycle" it to your local school library.

In my ANA diary in the August issue, I forgot to mention something that was very special to me. I first met Minnesotan Pete Smith about 6 or 7 years ago, when I was working on a programming project for a Minneapolis-based airline, and spending a lot of time in that city. Pete and I share many common numismatic interests, as we quickly discovered. He is the author of The Story of the Starred Reverse Cent and Names With Notes, as well as many articles appearing in a variety of numismatic publications. He serves as Historian for both the ANA and Early American Coppers, Inc. Well, Pete's third major book, Building, Maintaining and Disposing of a Numismatic Library, came off the presses just before this year's ANA convention, and he had copies available at the show for sale. There is a quote in Pete's book from the December, 1993 TNA News editor's message! It was very rewarding to me to see that someone actually thought highly enough of something he read in these pages that he would incorporate it (with full credit to its source) into his own original work. It's "little things" like that that make all this work worthwhile. I've also noticed that Coin World has been pretty consistent about running a synopsis of each of our issues. This is all good for TNA. Ideally, if TNA can appeal to a national audience without losing its Texas character, it will be a much stronger and more effective organization.

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You do your best in school, and we'll do our best to encourage those efforts!

#### Kids and Coins by James Taylor

This article is transcript #503 of the American Numismatic Association's "Money Talks" radio series, broadcast September 7, 1994. Reprinted with permission.

Well, you made it. It was a great summer...a little hot, and maybe a bit too hectic, but, hey, isn't that what summer's all about? And now the kids are back in school. You did everything you could to get them ready - new school supplies and clothes...maybe even a new alarm clock! But I'll bet It never occurred to you to get them really ready for school...or maybe even for life...by encouraging them to start a collection of a few, inexpensive coins.

This is "A-N-A's Money Talks." Educators and doctors agree that one of the most important tasks of parenting is teaching children to be patient. Doctors tell us that children who learn to be patient will be better able to cope with life's many stresses and crises, once they grow up

The eminent psychiatrist, Theodore Rubin, says children should be encouraged to take part in activities in which patience leads to a personal reward. Rubin specifically suggest fishing, working on jigsaw puzzles, and coin collecting.

But now do you get a child interested in coin collecting, especially if you're not a collector yourself? With small kids, get some shiny coins... maybe they could all have dates from the year the child was born...and look at them together Besides the date, look for the mintmark. This tells where the coins were made..."P" for Philadelphia, "D" for Denver, "S" for San Francisco.

Tell your child a story about the president whose portrait appears on the coin Perhaps your child will want to collect a coin for each year in a coin's series. For example, Lincoln cents have been made each year since 1909, and the Kennedy half-dollar since 1964.

You might have your child collect coins from the countries of your family's ancestors. Foreign coins, both old ones and those in circulation, are inexpensive - and they can serve as a springboard for learning more about other countries. Think about mounting the coins on a world map. With over 250 countries today, that's quite a challenge.

This has been "Money Talks." Today's program was written by James Taylor and underwritten by the nearly 30,000 members of the American Numismatic Association, America's coin club for over a century. This is a production of the A-N-A. For a free transcript of today's program call 1-800-367-9723. Request program 503.

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#### Texans in the Spotlight

#### ANA Honors Ross, Matherne and Loebe

The American Numismatic Association (ANA), the largest, most prestigious organization of coin collectors in the world, presented the second highest award (Silver Medal) to Ralph W. Ross in recognition of numerous years of dedicated, outstanding service to the ANA. This award was presented at the Annual Banquet and Awards Ceremony, Saturday, July 30. 1994, in Detroit, Michigan.

Ralph, who is a mathematics teacher at Clements High School in Sugar Land, Texas, has served for many years as the TNA's Youth Chairman and in other capacities. He is also the sponsor of the Clements Coin Club, the largest high school coin club in the nation.

Beaumont, Texas resident Judy Matherne was the proud recipient of an ANA Presidential Award during the ANA Summer Conference in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Judy is well-known for her educational programs on early American copper, her support of young numismatists and her dedicated service to all the clubs throughout southeast Texas. Judy is also a regular contributor of club news to the *TNA News*.

Bernard H. Loebe, of Houston, received the ANA Presidential Award during the 103rd ANA Anniversary Convention in Detroit, Michigan. Bernard is a longtime, active TNA member, who also serves as the ANA Regional Coordinator for the area including Texas. He is the link between local Texas clubs and ANA headquarters. He is currently trying to recruit Regional Delegates, to serve clubs in their immediate areas and to send reports to him concerning the activities of those clubs. Bernard invites everyone interested to contact him at 5711 Neches, Houston, Texas 77026.

#### New ANA Exhibit Award Established by Law

Fort Worth attorney and TNA member Thomas H. Law has established an endowment to fund a new exhibit award for the ANA. Law, a three-time recipient of the Howland Wood Memorial Award for Best-in-Show Exhibit at ANA conventions, has funded an award for first-time exhibitors. He said he hopes the new exhibit award will encourage more collectors to showcase their numismatic interests and material at ANA shows. The new award has been approved by the ANA Board of Directors, and will be offered at the Association's 104th Anniversary Convention in Anaheim, California.



ANA Presidential Award recipient Judy Matherne poses for photographers with ANA President David L. Ganz



Ralph Ross receives the ANA Medal of Merit from ANA President David L. Ganz during the ANA's 103rd Anniversary Convention in Detroit

#### ANA MEDAL OF MERIT

Presented to

#### Ralph Ross

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he American Numismatic Association presents its Medal of Ment to RALPH ROSS for his outstanding and dedicated service to the ANA and numismatics

Thirty-tight years 290, a 4-year-old Ralph Rass was introduced to numermatics by a glass-domed gum ball machine at a neighborhood grovery store in Muskegori Neights, Muchigan. The gum dispenser wouldn't accept his nickel coin — a 1951 Canadian Bientenmad nickel coin. Since that fateful beginning, Ralph Rass has maintained his unwavering support of the nobby and his encounagement of young numermatics.

In college, Ruiph Ross attended a small corn show in downtown Muskegon, meeting paper money specialise Ralph Hinkle, who was then president of the Muskegon Corn Club. Hinkle encouraged the young collector to pursue his hooby and suggested the young man join the ANA and the Michigan State Numismatic Society. Ralph Ross last saw his numismatic mentor at the ANA Anniversary Convention in Detroit 10 years ago.

Rulph Ross pursued both his education and his hobby-receiving Bachelor's and Master's degrees in mathematics. Taking his mathematical skills and numismatic interests to Hunston, Texas, in 1982, he went to work for Geophysical Service. Inc., a subsidiary of Texas Instruments.

Immediately journg the Greater Hinston Coin Club. Ralph Ross has served the organization as librarian, exhibit chairman, board member, NA, club representative and youth chairman. He remains a member of the Mukegon Coin Club. Michigan Stote Numismatic Society and the ANA. He also is a member of the Texas Numismatic Association, Florida United Numismatiss and the American Numismatic Society.

Much of Ralph Ross' efforts have been devoted to young numumatists, sponsoring coin clubs at the Clements and Kempier High Schools in Sugar Land, Texas, and serving as a member of the ANA Young Numsmatist Advisory Council. For several years, he has brought students from his high school coin clubs to the ANA Early Spring Contentions, encouraging them to exhibit their specialities.

A recipient of the Glenn Smedley Memorial Award in 1992, the American Numismatic Association is provid to present its Medal of Ment for distinguished service to RALPH ROSS.

DAVID L. GAN.

ROBERT J LEUVER
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION PRESIDENTIAL AWARD

Presented to

#### Judy Matherne

s 48th President of the American Numismatic Association, I would like to recognize and honor Judy Matherne.

A collector of large cents, Judy Matherne has been an ANA member since 1980, giving of her time and energy to ANA's Young Numismatist programs and to YNs. In addition to her personal efforts, Judy Matherne has helped to financially underwrite various YN activities and has sponsored numerous YN scholarships to the ANA's annual Summer Conference.

Corresponding regularly with a number of young numismatists, Judy Matherne has given untoll numbers of coins, books and subscriptions to burgeoning NNs. Having spread her love of the hobby throughout the great State of Texas, Judy Matherne is singly responsible for many young numismatists and adults becoming collectors and ANA members.

Now therefore, do I, David L. Ganz, 48th President of the American Numismatic Association present the ANA Presidential Award to JUDY MADIERNE.

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ROBERT J. LEUVER
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## AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION PRESIDENTIAL AWARD

#### Presented to

#### Bernard Loebe

he American Numusmatic Association Presidential Award is presented to Bernara Loebe

& ANA Regional Coordinator for Region 9 for the last eight years, Bernard Loebe has done acomaservice for Texas and Louisiana. An ANA member for nearly 20 years, he has maintained his own numismatinterests while assisting those throughout the hobby.

As a young man working in Venezuela in 1960, Bernard Loebe discovered the world of numeration when he found United States gold coins were available from the local bank. Unable to obtain these coins from banks at home, Bernard Loebe began his numeratic collecting, buying double eagles for \$41 apiece. He latter began collecting silver coins, and paper money of Venezuela. A post ANA convention top to Bernard in 1986 added that nation's paper money to Bernard Loebe's collecting specialities.

In addition to the ANA, Bernard Loebe is a member of the Texas Numismatic Association, the Latir America Paper Money Society, the Society of Paper Money Collectors and the Greater Houston Coin Club which he currently serves as secretary.

Now therefore, do I, David L. Ganz, 48th President of the American Numismatic Association, present the Presidential Award to BERNARD LOEBE.

> DAVID L. GANZ PRESIDENT

ROBERT LEUVER

# Meet the Newest Inductees to TNA's Hall of Fame... by Miriam Gilmore

#### Frank Gallndo

Frank Galindo of San Antonio has served as District VII Governor for the past fifteen and one-half years. He is an honorary life member of TNA, a life member of the Society of Ration Token Collectors, the Gateway Coin Club, the Alamo Coin Club, and the American Numismatic Association. He also holds memberships in the Maximilian Numismatic and Historical Society and The Elongated Collectors.

Frank is past president of the Society of Ration Token Collectors, having served two terms; he also served as assistant treasurer. In June. 1977, he was presented with the coveted Roy F. Gates Award for his outstanding service to the Society of Ration Token Collectors, an international numismatic organization.

He was also the recipient of the Lewis M. Reagan Memorial Award, presented at the 1980 TNA convention, for doing the most to promote numismatics in Texas throughout the year.

In 1983, he received a patriotic service award from the United States Department of the Treasury for his numismatic memorabilia exhibits

In 1984, both Frank and his wife, Karla, received the Numismatic Ambassador Award presented by Chet Krause of *Numismatic News*. Fundamentally, the award is intended to reward deserving collectors for their faithful devotion to the hobby.

Frank served on the 1986 Texas Sesquicentennial Committee. One of his contributions was the design of a special TNA cachet to honor the Texas Sesquicentennial. He also designed a special commemorative medal, featuring the Alamo, to honor the event. In September of that year, he was appointed TNA Medals Officer, and currently continues to serve in that position.

In 1987, he introduced a special program for young numismatists, which became known as the TNA Bronze Medal Project. The program began on January 2, 1988 and continued through December 31. The program was designed to help keep young numismatists interested and involved in the hobby, as well as to promote TNA medals. The TNA Bronze Medal Project was publicized in many hobby publications, including The Numismatist, Numismatic News, Coin World and First Strike.

Frank also conducted the first successful drive to sell TNA's surplus bronze medals. He asked all TNA district governors and other officers to help promote and sell the medals.

During the 1988 TNA convention, Frank and Karla were presented

the 1987 VIP award for signing up the most new members for TNA. He was also awarded an Honorary Life Membership for his contributions over the years to TNA. He also created the new TNA logo, with an updated design, while keeping the basic idea of the original.

In 1990, Frank designed a TNA convention cachet and, as editor of the Gateway Coin Club's publication, *The Gatepost*, was the recipient of the TNA's Best Club Newsletter Award.

He was elected president of the Gateway Coin Club in 1993 and is currently serving in that position. Frank has served as the editor of *The Gatepost* since 1988.

Both Frank and Karla have placed numismatic exhibits at coin shows throughout Texas, as well as at several ANA conventions. They have won numerous awards, including Best of Show.

Frank designed several TNA certificates used by the TNA secretary and news editor. He also hand lettered many of the TNA certificates that have been presented to individuals and clubs over the years. As of this writing, he has designed or completed artwork for fourteen TNA medals.

Locally, he has served both the Alamo and Gateway coin clubs in San Antonio for many years. He has presented programs to and has served as an executive board member for both clubs. He has been exhibit chairman at many of the Gateway Coin Club shows. Both he and Karla have been involved in many National Coin Week activities at the local level, earning several ANA medals of merit for their efforts.

Welcome, Frank, to the TNA Hall of Fame.

#### Nela Runkla

A faithful and longtime TNA member and officer, Mrs. Nela Runkle has been the hub of numismatic activity in her hometown of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle. Many of her waking hours have been devoted to serving as TNA governor for many years, and her devotion, determination and strength has kept the hobby alive in District XI. She keeps active in the Golden Spread Coin Club, writing the newsletter, organizing the annual collectors' show, and making herself available for any other activity or duty. In spite of ill health in recent years, she is always there to lend a hand.

Nela has her family involved in the hobby: husband, Francis daughter, Linda, from the time she was a very young girl; and now her granddaughter, Jessica. They have set up exhibits at TNA conventions, club shows, and special educational events such as ANA's National Coin Week. Nela has presented programs when called on, as another way to promote coin collecting, her club and TNA

A devoted and loyal TNA member for many years. Nela is being honored for her tireless efforts in the numismatic world with her Hall of Fame recognition.

#### Clifford Witshiler

Clifford Mishler, of Iola, Wisconsin, is a gentleman long overdue recognition by the Texas Numismatic Association. He is president of Krause Publications. Inc., publishers of *Numismatic News*, *Coins* magazine, and many more publications dedicated to various collecting pursuits. He has constantly supported TNA and numismatics at all levels at home and abroad. Krause Publications is also a longtime, valued *TNA News* advertiser.

Cliff, as he is known to friends in the collecting world, attends all the TNA conventions and sets up an information booth for the many and varied publications issued by the company. When asked, he always takes part in the TNA educational programs. His main collecting interest is in the token area, and he eagerly shares that interest through his columns and articles. He gives TNA much publicity for all its events.

There is no way all of Cliff's accomplishments could be recorded and presented. Most likely, it would fill a library to its ceiling. TheTNA is pleased to welcome Cliff to its Hall of Fame.

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# McDade, Texas: The Little Town With One Saloon and Two Sanks on Wain Street by Francis P. Smith & Josephine Metcalfe Smith

Author's note This article is submitted by Francis P. Smith, prasident of the Austin Texas Coin Club. The information for the article was written for me by my mother, Josephine Metcalle. Smith, who has firsthand, knowledga of the McDade banks.

"And then there was McDade" the historians add like a postscript or a footnote, but McDade was always an entity on its own, from 1840 when the San Jacinto hero, Jesse Billingsley, was granted land. What Texan is there who has not heard of the gambling, drinking, shooting lifestyle in that community, especially the story of the "Christmas shoot-out"? But who hears that here was the first railhead in the county and enough business in and out that planters, merchants and cattlemen needed a bank? Who has heard that at one end of its main street was a saloon, at the other end (one block) was a State bank, and that when each liquidated, it became the U.S. Post Office?

When the H&TC railroad made McDade the railhead in 1871, it became the proverbial boom town. The town fathers first went after a privately-funded bank, the American Exchange Bank (unincorporated) of Elkhart, Texas. It could not handle all the town's business, so a State bank was sought in 1913. They found a young man with training, experience, and good credentials, but a poor salary; application was made to the Department of Insurance and Banking, which sent out forms to complete, and even instructions on how to do so.

On April 22, 1913, the first stockholders' meeting was held in the McDade Mercantile Company office, where one hundred shares were sold at \$100.00 each. Each certificate bore the legend. "\$10,000.00 Capital Stock." Young men dreamed dreams in those days. First order of business was to elect a custodian of funds, empowered to see that shares were paid for in "lawful money." This is of note in a town with such an "unlawful" reputation! Also, since the vote was to adopt the Guaranty Fund plan, the name became the McDade Guaranty State Bank It was chartered as no. 928 on April 23, 1913 and opened for business on May 21, 1913. At that time, the word "Guaranty" looked reassuring on the bank's sign; ironically, the sign is still standing today.

Although there was no building, no furnishings and no supplies, there were high hopes. An existing building was rented for \$5.00 a month The furnishings (including a Diebold safe) of the first bank were bid on and bought for \$600.00. Stationery was ordered from Clarke & Counts for \$165.00. The cashier's salary, the only one authorized, was set at \$75.00 per month. Minutes of the first directors' meeting clearly state "The other officers offer their services without salary". It did not cost

much to have a bank in those haloyon days before World War I.

The old building, with its emblazoned sign, still stands. The Diebold safe, with its time lock, is still used by the U.S. Post Office. A few old letterheads and stock certificates still exist.

The bank began business with that safe, two desks, some chairs, two wooden file drawers, an adding machine and a stove with pipes, all secondhand. By fall 1913, the directors were considering building, and they purchased a Main Street corner lot for \$200.00. On that, they had constructed a "25x40 brick building" with concrete and tile floor, pressed tin ceiling, a walk-in vault, two-window cage and front and back offices.

This was the heyday of the little bank. In the fall of 1916, the state banking department issued a statement to the effect that "Never in the history of Texas has such a vast accumulation of money been on deposit in her banks." In 1915, two years after charter, the McDade bank paid a franchise tax of \$10.00 to the office of the Secretary of State, and a corporation income tax of \$6.18 to the United States Internal Revenue. Although a country bank, she had her distinctions over the years:

- a shareholder and director was one of the prime targets in that "Christmas shoot-out"
- two women served on her board
- the cashier was listed in Dunn & Bradstreet
- moved under Bond Security, 1924, as McDade State Bank
- safely weathered the depression of 1929 and the "Bank Holiday of 1933

But in 1934, my grandfather, J.F. Metcalfe, the first cashier, now president, saw that the day of the little bank was over. He liquidated, saw his depositors safely into another bank, and closed the doors on May 7, 1934.

The U.S. Postal Service acquired the building and moved from the old Rock Front Saloon building. The saloon building is now the Historical Association headquarters. Saloons and banks may come and go, but McDade and its buildings keep going...and going...and going.

Editor's Note: The authors have provided a photographic history of the buildings that served as sites for the McDade Banks. Reproductions of these photographs appear on the next two pages. They have also provided a copy of a stock certificate issued by the McDade Guaranty State Bank. The certificate has been photocopied at a considerably reduced size in order to fit in the pages of our magazine. The opposite sides of the certificate appear on pages 23 and 24. Enjoy!

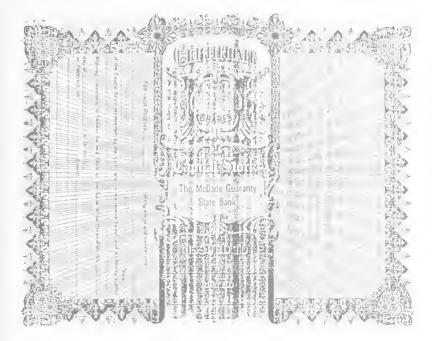
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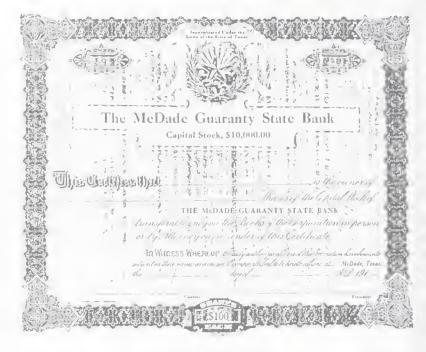
The building on the left was the Second McDade Guaranty State Bank



Stock Certificate issued by the McDade Guaranty State Bank (turn page to see opposite side of certificate)



Old Rock Building, McDade, Texas (This was the McDade State Bank)



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| REVENUE: Dues Donations Advertising Medal Sales Annual Show Interest | \$<br>877.00<br>25.00<br>140.00<br>73.50<br>556.21<br>36.10 |                |
|--|---|----------------|
| TNA Youth Fund   | 10.00   |                |
| Total Revenue  | 10.00   | \$<br>1,717.81 |
| EXPENSES:  |   |                |
| President Expenses   | \$<br>100.00  |                |
| Secretary Allowance  | 350.00  |                |
| Secretary Expenses   | 155.23  |                |
| Editor Allowance   | 200.00  |                |
| Editor Expenses  | 193.77  |                |
| Printing Costs   | 197.00  |                |
| Postage  | 1.18  |                |
| Newsletter Printing Costs  | 932.67  |                |
| Newsletter Postage   | 300.00  |                |
| Total Expenses   |   | \$<br>2,429.85 |
| Income/(Loss) From Operations  |   | \$<br>(712.04) |









#### Balance Sheet (revised) Mike Grant - Treasurer

January 1, 1994 - July 1, 1994

| ASSETS:   |  |                 |
|---|--|-----------------|
| Current Assets  |  |                 |
| Cash - checking Jr. Report Card Fund ANA Jr. Seminar Fund TNA Memorial Library Fund Investments | 18,146.61<br>50.00<br>1,168.25<br>692.58 |                 |
| CD Life Membership Fund   | \$<br>10,146.33                          |                 |
| Total Current Assets  | . 0,000.00                               | \$<br>40,203,77 |
| IABILITIES & EQUITY:  |  |                 |
| Current Liabilities Long Term Liabilities   | \$<br>0.00                               |                 |
| Total Liabilities<br>Equity   | \$<br>0.00                               |                 |
| . /   | \$<br>29,772.15<br>10,431 62             |                 |
| Total Liabilities & Equity  |  | \$<br>40,203.77 |

#### TOTAL ASSETS:

\$ 40.203.77

#### From the TNA Treasurer, Mike Grant:

I apologize for an error in the addition of the assets on the original report I reported \$36,185.94 , when the amount should have been \$40,203.77. This should not happen again, now that I have the mechanics of this report down. If you have any questions, please contact me .





# Balance Sheet Mike Grant - Treasurer

January 1, 1994 - September 1, 1994

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| Current Assets            |    |           |              |
|---------------------------|----|-----------|--------------|
| Cash - checking           | \$ | 17,434.57 |              |
| Jr. Report Card Fund      |    | 50.00     |              |
| ANA Jr. Seminar Fund      |    | 1,168 25  |              |
| TNA Memorial Library Fund |    | 692 58    |              |
| Investments               |    |           |              |
| CD Life Membership Fund   | \$ | 10,146.33 |              |
| CD                        |    | 10,000.00 |              |
| Total Current Assets      |    |           | \$ 39,491 73 |
| LIABILITIES & EQUITY:     |    |           |              |
| Current Liabilities       | \$ | 0.00      |              |
| Long Term Liabilities     |    | 0.00      |              |
| Total Liabilities         | S  | 0.00      |              |

Current Period Net Income/(Loss) (712.04)
Total Liabilities & Equity \$ 39,491.73

Retained Earnings \$ 40,203.77

TOTAL ASSETS:

Equity

\$ 39,491.73











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Oct 8 San Angelo, TX 30 Tables San Angelo Coin Club Show

Days Inn, 4613 S. Jackson at Highway 87 Contact. Bob Bills, (915) 239-5422 Box 50, Pontotoc, TX 76869

Oct 9 Brady, TX 40 Tables

Heart of Texas (HOT) Coin Club Show Brady Convention Center Contact. Bob Bills, (915) 239-5422 Box 50, Pontotoc, TX 76869

Oct 15-16 Abilene, TX 30 Tables

Key City Coin, Stamp & Baseball Card Show Sponsored by the Key City Coin & Stamp Club Abilene Civic Center, 1100 N 6th Call: Randall Thornton, (915) 677-1936 or Russell Souders, 698-5151

Oct 15-16 Tyler, TX 30 Tables
Tyler Coin & Sports Card Show
Harvey Convention Center, 2000 W. Front Street

Contact: Tom Bennington, (903) 597-3138 P.O. Box 7276, Tyler, TX 75711

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Oct 22 Austin, TX 36 Tables

Central Texas Coin, Stamp & Sports Card Show Quality Inn South, 2200 South IH 35 (at Oltorf) Contact: Francis Smith, P.O. Box 1182, Austin, TX 78767

Oct 22-23 Beaumont, TX 33 Tables

Southeast Texas Coin & Collectibles Spring Show Jointly sponsored by Beaumont, Orange, Port Arthur & Silsbee Clubs Holiday Inn (Houston Room), Beaumont Plaza, 3950 I-10 South Contact. Jack Provost, (409) 385-9272 P.O. Box 1676, Silsbee, TX 77656

Oct 29-30 Fort Worth, TX 54 Tables
Fort Worth Coin Club 33rd Annual Coin Show
Green Oaks Inn, I-30 & Green Oaks Road

Write: FWCC, 2218 W. Rosedale Street South, Fort Worth, TX 76110 Call: Bob Slocum, (817) 923-5510 or Elleta Havens, (817) 626-6783

Nov 11-13 Grapevine, TX 100 Tables

9th Annual Dallas Coin Exposition (with Auction by Heritage) DFW Hilton, 1800 Highway 26E

Write: DCSE, 3950 Concordia Lane, Fallbrook, CA 92028 or

Call: (619) 728-1300, Heritage: (800) US-COINS

Nov 19-20 Irving, TX 75 Tables

Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex Coin and Card Show Sponsored by Doug Davis and Paul Garner
Airport Inn, 120 West Airport Freeway (Old Highway 183)
Contact. Doug or Paul, Box 224584, Dallas, TX 75222-4584

Nov 19 Mesquite, TX 11 Tables

Garland Coin Club Show Memories Restaurant, 2015 Galloway at Highway 80 Call: Tim Lee, (214) 437-5298 or (214) 289-COIN or

Write: Garland Coin Club, P.O. Box 870100, Mesquite, TX 75150

Nov 19-20 Wichita Falls, TX 35 Tables

Annual Red River Coin and Stamp Show

Sponsored by Wichita Falls-Red River Coin Club & Texoma Stamp Club

Wichita Falls Activity Center, 697 10th Street (at Indiana)

Contact: Connolly R. O'Brien, Jr., (817) 723-1792

c/o The Coin Shop, 1503 Beverly Dr, Wichita Falls, TX 76309

Nov 25-27 Houston, TX 65 Tables

Coin Show, sponsored by the Pasadena Coin Club Hobby Airport Hilton, 8181 Airport Blvd

Write: Pasadena Coin Club, Box 58155, Houston, TX 77258 or

Call: Bill Chase, (713) 326-1286

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Jan 13-15 Houston, TX 114 Tables
Greater Houston Coin Club's 38th Money Show

J.W. Marriott Exhibit Center, 5150 Westheimer (across from Galleria)
Call: Byron Paris, (713) 558-1540

Feb 11 Pharr, TX 50 Tables

Hidalgo Coin Club Coin & Collectible Show Pharr Civic Center, 1011 W. Kelly Contact: Mike DiGennaro, (210) 425-3845 2001 N. Parkwood, Harlingen, TX 78550 Feb 24-26 El Paso, TX

64 Tables

35 Tables

International Coin Club of El Paso Annual Show Quality Inn, Bassett Center Write: ICC of El Paso, P.O. Box 3535, El Paso, TX 79923

Mar 18-19 Waco, TX 70 Tables

17th Annual Waco Coin & Stamp Show Sponsored by Waco Coin Club, Inc. & Heart of Texas Stamp Club, Inc. Waco Convention Center, 100 Washington Avenue Contact Dalton Adams, (817) 776-6655 PO Box 8773, Waco, TX 76714-8773

75 Tables Mar 25-26 Lubbock, TX South Plains Coin Club 35th Annual Coin & Sports Card Show Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, 1501 6th St.

Write SPCC Show Chairman, P.O. Box 6326, Lubbock, TX 79493

Call: Ed Chauncey, (806) 792-2245

Mar 31-Apr 2 Fort Worth, TX 160 Tables Texas Numismatic Association 37th Convention

Tarrant County Convention Center 111 Houston Street Contact: Chris Keogh or Everett Hull, (817) 336-1782 P.O. Box 9107, Fort Worth, TX 76147

May 6-7 San Antonio, TX 18th Annual San Antonio Coin, Card & Stamp Show Sponsored by Gateway Coin Club Oak Hills Motor Inn, 7401 Wurzbach Road Contact: Ray Tate, (210) 271-3429

P O Box 12964, San Antonio, TX 78212





# Secretary's Notes Barbara Lowell

Welcome to members #5863 through 5897. The following has applied for membership. If approved, he will become a member November 1, 1994:

R-5898 (D-03) Robert Prichard, 2105 South Runnels, Big Spring, TX 79720. U.S. Coins, Lamonte Pitzer.

V.I.P. Award: Lamonte Pitzer

DECEASED

LM-48 Brad H. Smith, McKinney, TX

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Cash up to \$24.99:

R-5591 Frank Lanza Youth Fund
R-5143 Joe E. Simms Youth Fund
R-5322 A.T. Allison, Jr. Library Fund

\$25.00 to \$24.99:

C-1 Corpus Christi Coin Club TNA News

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- "I just don't know how to prepare an exhibit." Well, this
  is the easiest one to fix. In the December edition of the TNA
  News, this column will deal with the method to properly an
  exhibit.
- 4. "I can't write well enough to put the text together." Just remember, the object is to show off your numismatic items and have very concise, yet informative, text to tell about them. It does not take a literary expert to do an adequate job.
- "I am not artistic enough to do an exhibit." Just as in #3, very little artistic talent is needed. The ability to neatly place items, in a manner that is pleasing to the eye and informative to the uninformed are all that's needed.
- "My material is not good enough to exhibit." As long as
  it is placed neatly and in an eye-appealing manner, any
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  perfectly fine to exhibit. Condition only counts for a small
  amount of the total score for an exhibit.
- "I just don't have enough time to prepare an exhibit."
   This is the most common reason given for not exhibiting Well, if my calculations are correct, you should have about five months left to get it together.

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#### DISTRICT III

The August 1 meeting of the Central Texas Coin Club was attended by 22 members and 2 guests. Attendees reported a good meeting and auction, with Bob Bills standing in as auctioneer. Three new members were signed up, including two young boys. The club pledged its solid support for the TNA's Coins for A's program for students, and as an extension to that program, Bob donated a box of coins to be given out to students who bring their report cards to CTCC meetings.

-- Joy Rhodes, club Secretary

Twelve members and a guest turned out for the July 18 meeting of the Heart of Texas Coin Club at the Brady Chamber of Commerce. The club set the date for its coin show as Sunday, October 9, the day after the San Angelo club's show Bob Bills presented the TNA idea of coins for kids' grades, and the club decided to join in, both by awarding coins at the local level and by helping students to get involved at the TNA level. Both junior members in attendance were eager to participate, and will submit their report cards to both the HOT club and TNA. An auction of 9 lots wrapped up the evening's activities.

-- E.L. "Bob" Bills, District III Governor

Abilene's Key City Coin Club met on July 7 at the Rose Park Senior Citizen Building. Bob Kirkley conducted the meeting, in place of the president, who was away. Due to vacations, only seven members and four guests were in attendance. Those present discussed advertising for the upcoming (October 15-16) club show, and made plans to staff a booth at the local mall (September 24 and October 1) to promote the club and the show. Bob Bills gave a program on detecting counterfeit or altered key coins. Everyone agreed that Bob's talk was very educational and interesting. After a short recess, an auction concluded the meeting.

The club met again on August 4, with 13 members and a guest present. Bob Bills talked about the TNA's new coins for grades program, and suggested that the club try something similar, and try to spark the interest of local youngsters. A motion to initiate such a program was made and approved. Randall Thornton reported that one-third of the available tables were already sold for the club's show. After a coffee and cookie break, an auction was held, and the meeting adjourned.

-- Frances Thornton, club Secretary

TNA District 3 Governor Bob Bills reports that he is still trying to get Sweetwater's Nolan County Coin Club back in business Anyone interested is encouraged to contact Bob at 915-239-5422 or Presley Powell at 915-737-2914 for more information.

-- E.L. "Bob" Bills, District III Governor

Two dozen members and a pair of visitors were present at the El Patio Lodge for the July 14 meeting of the San Angelo Coin Club The club's coin show was scheduled for October 8, in conjunction with the Brady club's plan to hold their show the following day. There was a discussion about the TNA's coins for grades program, as presented by Bob Bills The club decided to expand the program by offering additional coins to any students who submit their report cards to both the SACC and TNA The three juniors in attendance were particularly excited by this idea, and promised to submit their report cards.

-- E.L. "Bob" Bills, District III Governor

#### DISTRICT IV

The July 7 Williamson County Coin Club meeting was attended by 9 members and one guest. Vice President Gerry Kammer presided in President Chuck Elkins' absence. The guest introduced herself to the members, and Treasurer Rod Sherva told her about the club. Rod reported that TNA dues were due, and Gerry moved that the dues be paid. Harry Barnette seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved. A discussion of participating in a coin show followed. Frank Berezovytch next gave an excellent program, on Spanish coinage. He discussed the origin of shillings, dollars and cobs, all of which had roots in or are connected with Spanish coinage. There was a lively discussion of the purpose of cobs, and where they circulated.

The August 4 meeting was also called to order by Gerry Kammer Eight members were in attendance Frank Berezovytch brought a thornapple, or Jamestown weed, to the meeting He discussed its very interesting history, and everyone enjoyed the diversion. Gerry passed around a "mystery coin" and several members offered opinions on its origin. Gerry finally revealed that it was a medal from the Low Countries. Erin Davis gave the evening's program, relating her activities at the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs. Her trip was paid for by the ANA's Young Numismatists Scholarship Fund. Erin described the course she took, "Coins of the Ancient World," the tours and events she attended, and the people she met. Everyone enjoyed the program, and there were a lot of questions on both her experiences and ancient coins Gabe Proctor, the club's founder, announced that this would be his last meeting before leaving for college. Everyone wished him well, and expressed the hope that he'll be back to visit next summer.

-- Erin Davis, club Secretary

#### DISTRICT V

The Collin County Coin Club met on June 16, with 20 members and 3 guests present. The first order of business was 1994-1995 officer elections. Gary Rollins and Gerald Jones were reelected to their respective offices of president and vice president. Kim Groves was elected to serve as secretary and newsletter editor. It was decided to purchase 7 numismatic videotapes for use by club members. The titles are: Detecting Counterfeit and Altered U.S. Coins, Grading Mint State U.S. Coins, Errors and Varieties, U.S. Silver Commemorative Coins, Collecting U.S. Paper Money, Classic U.S. Gold Coins of the 20th Century, and Do's and Dont's of Coin Collecting. The tapes will be available for one month periods, from meeting to meeting. Bill Hixson auctioned 50 lots submitted by the membership.

The July 21 meeting was called to order with 17 members and 5 guests in attendance. Jim Bundy, Adam, John and James Amheart, and Brian Jones were introduced to the club as visitors. Joe Ranes' son Billy joined the club. President Rollins opened the floor for new business with the idea of joining the American Numismatic Association as a club member. After some discussion, Gary Parent moved that the club join the ANA, Ken Bucher seconded, and the membership unanimously passed the motion. Five of the new videotapes were checked out by members at the meeting, the first opportunity to do so. Bill Hixson auctioned 56 member lots, netting \$11.20 for the club's treasury.

July 14 was the cover date for Volume 1, Issue 1 of the new Collin County Coin Club Newsletter, produced by Kim Groves. It was announced that the publication will contain club minutes, a show calendar, numismatic articles, auction reports, low-cost sales and business ads, and complimentary "Wanted to Buy" ads.

The August 14 newsletter contained an article on club member D.V. Lee, who has had two of his coins pictured in *The Cherrypicker's Guide to Rare Die Varieties* and one featured in *Numismatic News.* He is credited with the discovery of a 1940-"D over D" Washington quarter, which appears in both publications and on a die variety trading card, and a 1953-D quarter with a doubled die reverse. The newsletter also gave: an update on legislation to change U.S. currency color, size, portraits and symbols; a short report on the 103rd ANA anniversary convention; and a summary of 5 newly proposed commemorative dollars, honoring Robert F. Kennedy, the 1995 Special Olympics, National Community Service, the U.S. Military Academy, and the U.S. Botanical Gardens.

- -Collin County Coin Club Newsletter (Kim Groves, editor)

Vice President Joe Barthold called the 793rd meeting of the Dallas Coin Club to order on June 16. Eleven members and guest Brian Jones were present. Ron Blaha reported that attendance at the recent Irving show was low, due to rain. Tom Ragsdale reported that he is working on quotes for bonding TNA and local club officers. He will pass the





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information to TNA President Joe Olson, who will then get together with the local clubs. Mike Grant reminded everyone that the DCC's will soon give up its post office box, and that all club correspondence should be directed to him at 6490 Central Av. North Richland Hills, TX 76180 It was reported that David Kyser now has a collectibles booth (#9A) at the Lone Star Bazaar on Garland Rd. Ron checked out the paper money videotape, and Tom got the one on counterfeit and altered coins. Joe Barthold gave a program entitled, "Odd Shaped Coins." He traced the history of coinage, from the crude issues of Lydia and Aegina to the present. Joe showed examples from three principal categories irregularly shaped coins; angular pieces with four or more sides; and scalloped coins. Joe speculated that the different shapes may be used to save metal, to differentiate the coinage of one country from another, to make it easier for people who are unable to read to identify different denominations, or purely for aesthetic reasons. After the program, the auction was held. The club netted \$4.84 from 18 lots.

Twenty members and a visitor. Dale Waldoff, were in attendance on July 21, as President Frank Clark called the club's 794th meeting to order. Frank informed everyone that the TNA show did very well, and that the TNA phone cards were a big success. Frank also reported that he had found a company that will make medals for the club at a cost of \$16.00 each. There was much discussion of the timing of the medals. with the club's 800th meeting scheduled for January, 1995 and the club's 75th anniversary to be celebrated in the year 2003. Joe Barthold moved to strike a medal for the 800th meeting and to have a recruiting drive. The motion passed. For the evening's program, Frank Clark spoke about the famous 1861-O half dollar. Frank chronicled the striking of 330,000 of the coins for the U.S., another 1,240,00 for Louisiana after it seceded from the Union, and yet another 962,633 for the C.S.A. after Louisiana joined the Confederacy. Frank also related the mint's colorful history during that period. The meeting adjourned after an auction of 33 lots, which added \$7.43 to the club's coffers.

--club newsletter (Michael P. Grant, editor)

#### DISTRICT VI

The August 15 meeting of the Bellaire Coin Club began with a talk "U.S. Fractional Currency," by Jeff Todd. Gregg Nolan gave a final report on the club's successful coin show on August 6-7. All tables were sold, and a good profit was made. The Children's Auction was a good one, and part of it was shown on local Channel 2 News Vice President Mark Grabowski will be in charge of the club's August, 1995 show. The evening was completed with an auction of about 90 lots.

Club officers for 1994-1995 were installed during the month of May They are President, Charles Templeton, V.P., Mark Grabowski Secretary, George Tschoepe, and Treasurer, Joe Wells Club meetings are held at the Bellaire Library, on the first and third Mondays of every

month, at 7:00 p.m. For further information, write to the club at P.O Box 303, Bellaire, TX 77401.

-- club newsletter, Charles Templeton, editor

Clements High School's Clements Coin Club kicked off the new school year with an August 25 issue of its newsletter, The C-Cubed. Historian Peter Keller wrote about his summer vacation, which included a trip to the ANA Summer Seminar on a scholarship from FUN (the state numismatic organization of Florida). Peter also editorialized on the need to make positive changes to the high school's club, and encouraged members to be more active and involved. President Amy Ng wrote about the new look of the newsletter. Treasurer Naureen Sultanali introduced herself, and described her ideas for improving the club's financial situation. Secretary Cindy Jacob invited everyone to send their ideas for club activities to her for presentation to the rest of the officers. Adult member Judy Matherne recounted her experiences at the ANA Summer Seminar, and also told about her primary collecting interests, early United States copper: colonials, half cents and large cents. Articles reprinted from other publications included a numismatic quiz, a report on this year's TNA awards, and a note about phone cards promoting television programs.

The September 1 newsletter carried an explanantion of the club's "Point System," which rewards members for attending club meetings, writing articles, creating educational exhibits, fund raising, recruiting new members, presentations at club meetings, and various other hobby-related activities. Each graduating Senior member earning 200 points is awarded a silver bar. The newsletter also had a two-page introduction to the club, detailing its purpose, objectives, affiliations and activities. A reprint of the TNA's announcement of its Coins for A's program informed all readers of this opportunity to receive some coins as a reward for their hard-earned grades. A letter from member David H. Liu reminded everyone that the club's meetings are held every Thursday after school, and briefly described how rewarding the meetings can be. --club newsletter, The C-Cubed (Tim Jin, editor and Amy Ng, publisher)

The Pasadena Coin Club's July 25 meeting was held at Wyatt's Cafeteria, located at Spencer and Preston, and everyone present seemed pleased with all the accomodations. Thus, all meetings from August 22 through the end of 1994 will be held at that location Everyone attending is being encouraged to eat at the buffet, since the meeting room fee of \$50 will be waived if enough attendees also have dinner there. Meetings start at 7:30 p.m., giving everyone plenty of time to eat first. The club added three new members in July. Welcomed to the club were April Gonzalez, Dean Ingersoll and Preston Hicks. Everyone was reminded of the Bellaire Coin Club show, scheduled for

August 6-7, and all members were encouraged to show their support for the hobby and their neighboring club by attending.

The August 8 meeting had one of the largest turnouts in several years. There were 43 members who ate at the cafeteria prior to the meeting, so the room was free for the night, saving the club \$50. There was also a record 182 lots in the evening's auction. Three new members joined the club: Jim Bevill, Robert Bevill (Jim's son, and a junior member), and Maurice Bonefas (the attendees' friendly waiter). Everyone was reminded to bring plenty of food to the club's annual Pot Luck Dinner, scheduled for September 12, at the Webster Presbyterian Church.

The club will continue to meet on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month, but at the new location (excepting, of course, the Pot Luck Dinner). An auction is held at every meeting.

--club newsletter

The Ricebelt Coin Club's 10th annual coin show was held on September 10, at the American Legion Hall in El Campo. Current club officers are: President, Walter Brewer, V.P., Gerd Conner; Treasurer, Johnnie Bartosh; and Secretary, Grace Vaclavick For information on meeting times and locations, write P.O. Box 406, El Campo. TX 77437.

--Grace Vaclavick, club Secretary

#### DISTRICT VII

On July 14, the Alamo Coin Club met in its usual meeting room at the Maverick Cafe. Wayne presided, and 14 members and 2 visitors were present. Everyone was pleased to have Nelson S. as a visitor. The Round Table had a variety of collector related items. Jerry C. had a Heritage auction catalog for the July ANA Convention; Jim E. brought a Hawaiian coin set of a cent, dime, quarter, half dollar and dollar; Harold E. showed a letter opener copy of the legendary sword Excalibur, Pye C had a 1763 coin from either a German state or Austria, which no one could attribute; and Wayne G. displayed a British 1994 silver proof 2 pound coin, an article on Brittania from The Numismatist, and to tie in with the program, a photo of the grave of a Crusader in the graveyard of an English church he recently visited. Harold E. presented a slide program, "Coins of the Crusades." He also gave a short historical overview of the Crusades and the coinage of both the Crusaders and their opponents. Battle action illustrations and maps from the National Geographic book The Age of Chivalry added interest to the program Harold also exhibited over 40 minor coins from the time period, and some additional reference books. After the program, 11 of 42 auction lots found new homes. Jack L. donated 3 proof set holders for the club to raffle.

Sixteen members and two guests gathered for dinner in the bar area of the Maverick on July 28. Wayne again presided. He read an article on good and bad points of clubs, emphasizing the importance of active

membership, leading to good officers; numismatic education in programs, the newsletter and in public exhibits; the need for good show sponsorship (including exhibits and programs); and a young numismatist program. At the Round Table, Porter M showed 2 cast iron "Manillas" from West Africa; Harold had 2 Regensburg Kreuzers, long soldered together; Lou R. brought Elvis Presley trading cards; and Jack L. passed around a copy of the 1995 "Red Book." Frank Galindo, TNA District 7 Governor, performed the traditional installation of 1994-1995 club officers, with each officer placing a piece of a puzzle representing his office into a picture of the Alamo (the club's logo), symbolizing the need for them to work together for the club to prosper. The officers are. President, Wayne G.; 1st V.P., Jack L.; 2nd V.P., Harold E.; Secretary, Robert J.; Treasurer, Jerry C.; and Governors, Pye C., Bob D., Vickie E., and Ed F. In the auction, about half of approximately 30 lots sold.

The August newsletter carried a story on odd and curious money, inspired by Porter's roundtable items. The story succinctly summarized Charles J. Opitz' 1986 book, *Odd and Curious Money - Descriptions and Values*, and recommended the book to anyone with an interest in this very interesting area of numismatics.

The August 11 meeting was back in the private dining room. About 16 were in attendance, including 2 visitors. A letter from member Walter Clavette, the club's "foreign missionary" to Connecticut, was read to the group. Wayne G. encouraged everyone to collect sales slips, proofs of purchase, and other items required for the club to participate in local radio station KKYX's Community Club Awards program. Wayne also announced his participation again in teaching adult education classes in numismatics, paleontology, geology, and beginning Japanese. There was a variety of Round Table items: Jack L. displayed issues of Rare Coin Review, which he collects; Mrs. Russell brought a set of "Passport" coins from the ANA convention; Willard showed his beautiful collection of U.S. gold coins; Wayne passed around a Numismatic News article. "What's the Matter With the ANA", and Harold had the book Odd and Curious Money, and talked about a new book, Coins of the Crusader States, recently reviewed in Numismatics International's journal. Of the 60 lots offered in the evening's auction, 19 were sold.

There were 19 people, including a visitor, at the August 25 meeting. The visitor was Betty K., Danny's mother, who started his interest in numismatics. Treasurer Jerry C. reported a healthy balance in the club account, with a marked increase from dues payments. At the Round Table, Harold presented a 1962 Springfield, Massachusetts Coin Club 50th anniversary silver medal, a U.S. Constitution Sesquicentennial medal (1787-1937), and pieces of American Indian bead wampum; Pye C. showed a political token dated 1865, about which he is seeking information; Robert J. had a 1937 edition of Burt's Coin Book, which lists prices of \$1.50 for coins now selling for over \$400, and Wayne showed his French piedfort proof 1987, 100 Franc Statue of Liberty

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--club newsletter, The Alamo News (Harold Eiserloh, editor)

Twenty-two members and eight visitors were present for the July 7 meeting of San Antonio's Gateway Coin Club. The members welcomed visitors Nelson Schmidt, John Bess, Julie Kenney, Maria Dracoupoulos, Damon Funkhouser, and Nicholas, Justin and Stephanie Hunter. Damon later became the club's newest member. The upcoming installation banquet was discussed, and Karla Galindo agreed to make the necessary arrangements. It was announced that two club members had been by the TNA: Miriam Gilmore received a special award for over 30 years of dedicated service, and Frank Galindo was inducted into the TNA Hall of Fame. During the roundtable discussion, Wayne Gordon entertained everyone with tales of his travels to London, Glasgow and Edinburgh. Miriam showed some of the recently issued stamps depicting stars of the silver screen. After the meeting, Don Bailey conducted an auction. Members bid actively on the various lots available.

Program night, July 21, opened with 32 members and 5 visitors in attendance. The visitors were Maria and Katherine Dracoupoulos and Nicholas, Justin and Stephanie Hunter. Karla updated everyone on the September installation banquet. The roundtable discussion was very interesting, and generated a lively dialogue. Jim Dracouploulos brought a 1902-dated National currency note from the Alamo National Bank, Cliff Valley showed some Peruvian money and Wayne Gordon brought a silver sixpence. Lou Rangel presented the educational program, "Women on Coins." He enhanced his fine program by showing some beautiful coins featuring women. The meeting concluded with a brisk auction conducted by Don Bailey.

President Frank Galindo opened the August 4 meeting with 22 members and 6 visitors in attendance. Welcomed as visitors were Larry and Sylvia Foster, Beverly Gray, John Horgan, and Karen and Alex Bess. Due to the absence of the vice president, secretary and treasurer, there was not a quorum of officers, and no business meeting was held. A brief roundtable discussion was held by the members. Tom Cates donated a notebook with plastic pages, to be auctioned off with proceeds going to the club. The meeting concluded with a spirited auction of 110 lots of a variety of numismatic material. Members bid vigorously on many of the lots. It was a fantastic auction, with Doc Grover and Bob Rogers sharing the duties of auctioneer.

The August 18 meeting was enjoyed by 26 members and 3 visitors. The guests were Julie Kenney, Alex Bess and Ann Knapp. During the

business meeting. Ray Tate volunteered to be publicity chairman for the 1995 club show, and Robert Lacewell and Karla Galindo agreed to assist him. Miriam Gilmore was appointed head of the nominating committee for 1994-1995 club officers. Joining Miriam on the committee were Ed. Witt and Gwen Coryell. Members engaged in an energetic roundtable discussion as they showed items they brought. Jim English brought a very, very large book with an enormous collection of wooden nickels. Vicki English showed two coins, one from Peru and the other from the Philippines, circa 1800; Robert Lacewell had a silver medal of the Italian dictator Mussolini; Frank Galindo showed 3 tokens from the Hot Wells Flame Room; and Py Coryell showed a 1966 Norman Brock flyer listing coin prices from that period. The educational program was presented by Ray Tate. His topic was "FAO Coins, Food for All." Ray gave an overview of the FAO project and brought different panels and albums of coins, stamps and medals with the "feed the hungry" theme He was congratulated for a fine program. The meeting closed with an auction conducted by the club monologuist, Ed Witt, who did, as usual, an outstanding job.

In addition to meeting reports, there were numerous other items of interest in the September-October issue of *The Gatepost*. Julie and S.O. Smith went to Arkansas for a camping trip with the Old Timers CB Club. Robert Lacewell experienced some good luck while vacationing in Las Vegas. Hanna Petiti got a Happy Birthday telephone call from her brother in Germany. An excellent, two-page article by Bob Rogers. entitled, "Host Country Issues of Modern Olympic Games Coins," was a comprehensive treatment of such coins from 1952 to the present. --club newsletter, *The Gatepost* (Frank Galindo, editor)

# DISTRICT IX

Eight members and a visitor were present at the July 26 meeting of the Lamb County Coin Club in Littlefield. Club officers were elected, as follows: President, David Keithley; V.P., E.L. Pitzer; Secretary, Harvey Miller; and Treasurer, Larry Sanderson. Of special note, all 4 officers are also proud TNA members. E.L. Pitzer gave a report on the TNA's Coins for A's project, and the members responded not only with great enthusiasm, but also with a \$25 donation to the cause Refreshments and a swap session wrapped up the meeting

President Keithley called the August 23 meeting to order, with six members in attendance. Everyone again spoke enthusiastically about the TNA's Coins for A's program, and challenged all other TNA clubs to match or exceed its \$25 donation to it. Lamonte Pitzer told the members that he would attend the semiannual TNA board meeting in September, and would receive an update on the program there. David Keithley gave a program about Las Vegas gaming tokens, and displayed a nice collection of them. A swap and sale session followed.

-- Lamonte Pitzer, District IX Governor

Thirty-five members of the South Plains Coin Club welcomed three guests to the club's August 1 meeting, at the Precinct #1 Clubhouse in Lubbock. Sharon Rice reported on several restaurants she had checked out for the club's Christmas party, and the Sirloin Stockade was selected through a vote of those present. Herman Jacobs brought fliers and bourse applications for the club's 35th annual show, scheduled for March 25-26, 1995. Lamonte Pitzer reported on the TNA Coins for A's program. Herman Jacobs made a motion that the club donate \$35 to the program, Norris Rumsey seconded it, and the motion passed. After the vote, a hat was passed around, and another \$30 was raised for the program. Carl Roberson gave an interesting program on National Currency and exhibited his collection of the notes. The meeting closed with an auction, conducted by Herman Jacobs and Hanson Ling.

--Lamonte Pitzer, District IX Governor and Herman Jacobs, reporter

#### DISTRICT X

The International Coin Club of El Paso has announced that its 1995 show will be held at the Quality Inn, Bassett Center, February 24-26. It is good to hear from this club again, after a long absence from the pages of the TNA News. Two new officers were installed in June: Preston Brown, the son of TNA District 10 Governor Millard Brown, was elected treasurer, and Randy Abbey was elected show chairman. Word is that both are making good progress. The club is currently preparing for its Christmas party, to be held on December 15 at the club's regular meeting place, the International Ball Room. On a sad note, two members have passed away since we last heard from the club. One of them, senior member Ed Young, specialized mostly in silver dollars. The other, Larry Bettis, was a life member who was very involved in theatre. They will both be missed.

--Helen C. Boutwell, club Secretary

#### DISTRICT XI

Twenty members and guests were present at the July 11 meeting of the Golden Spread Coin Club. Kerry Dittrich brought an Italian bimetal 200 lire, and wanted to know how it was made. Jim Laub had a 1909-S cent he had purchased with money he had received for his birthday, Nela Runkle showed a Duck Buck, worth money off at the hot tub store. Paulla White had discount tickets for anyone wanting to go to Sea World in San Antonio. Homer Dotts had a 1938 Double-D Buffalo nickel. Linda Runkle gave the program on the newest collectible, telephone cards.

The July 26 newsletter spelled out the schedule for the club's August 5-7 show, as well as for the setup for the show. Everyone was encouraged to help out, to sell raffle tickets for a drawing for a \$20 gold piece, and to place an exhibit. The newsletter also reprinted the TNA's announcement of the Coins for A's program.

The August 30 newsletter carried an extensive report on the show The number of tables sold and gross income were both above last year's figures, and the response of the dealers was very favorable. Many people viewed the grading video, and there was a good turnout for Dave Cervin's educational forum on "Early Christian Symbolism on Coins." There were not too many exhibits, but the ones that were there were enjoyed. Other newsletter items included an appeal for coins, tokens, paper money or cash for the TNA's Coins for A's program, and another for books for the 1995. TNA book auction. Special thanks went out to Franky. Hill from Amarillo Coin Exchange, for his donations of door prizes for club meetings for the past two years.

#### DISTRICT XIII

The Greenbett Coin Club met on August 1 at its regular meeting place, the Christian Church on Sand Road in Vernon. Fifteen members and one visitor were present. Mrs. Joyce Anderson was the guest of Mr Ollie Garrett. Twenty-five items were sold at auction by Mr. Bill Howard, with nine others passed Although the value of the material in the auction was low, everyone had a lot of fun with it Jackie Davidson of Wichita Falls reported on a coin show he had attended earlier in the month. The meeting started and ended on time, which pleased all.

-- Carl Flores, club Secretary

-- club newsletter (Nela Runkle, editor)

The Wichita Falls-Red River Stamp & Coin Club meeting of June 23 was attended by 13 members and one quest. President Robby Robinson presented a very interesting and informative program on coin glass, practical glassware that uses coin designs as a decorative theme. Robby said that coin glass was believed to have its U.S. origins around 1850, with quality pieces produced by the 1870's. He also told some fascinating stories about certain manufacturers, and their experiences with the U.S. Treasury department. Although coin glass is hard to come by these days. Robby displayed some examples. In addition to Robby's program, there was a lot of discussion in anticipation of the club's annual show to be held November 19-20 at the Wichita Falls Activity Center. Last year's show was a sellout, and most of the same dealers have already signed up for this one. Connolly O'Brien, who has also successfully produced a commercial show, is bourse chairman. It was noted that, with the expansion of Sheppard Air Force Base and the increased military population, Wichita Falls is enjoying an increase in hobby and entertainment interest. A new club member was welcomed during the meeting. Office L. Garrett, of Vernon, became member #106 Following refreshments. Robby and Ted Brewer conducted a 38 lot auction of U.S., Mexican and world coins, stamps and medals

Twelve members and two guests attended the club's July 28 meeting. The guests were Ray Whyborn's mother-in-law, Milla J. Weaver, and

former long time club member Roger Paulk, who rejoined the club that evening. Duties were assigned to club members for the upcoming show Connolly O'Brien, in addition to serving as bourse chairman, will handle publicity, production and advertising. Robby will be in charge of room setup and dealer assistance. The Texoma Stamp Club will be asked to handle the dealers' welcoming barbecue and refreshments. Other members have volunteered to cover additional tasks. Robby presented an unusual program, a challenging quiz in which six coin collectors were to be matched to his or her respective specialty. There were six clues, and the audience used logic and deductive reasoning to solve the puzzle. Following Robby's program and refreshments, he and Connolly conducted the auction.

The club meets at 7:30 p.m., the 4th Thursday of each month, at the United Methodist Church, 813 North Beverly Drive, Wichita Falls. --Raymond E. Whyborn, District XIII Governor

#### DISTRICT XIV

At the June meeting of the Hidalgo Coin Club of the Rio Grande Valley, a very special (but unidentified) guest showed, passed around and discussed a recent acquisition - an undated Spanish silver 4 reales from the reign of Carlos and Juana, 1506-1516.

For the combined July meeting and Ice Cream Social, 28 people were present. Harold Barrett presented a discussion on the term "Bits." Rod Bates showed two beautiful framed displays. One featured Confederate money, while the other contained City Scrip issued in Brownsville in 1862. A very large auction ended the meeting.

--Helen Snider, District XIV Governor

#### DISTRICT XV

The June 16 meeting of the Beaumont Coin Club was called to order by President Ed White. Fifteen members were present. Judy Matherne and Barbara Edwards agreed to check out local restaurants as possible locations for the club's Christmas party. Art Larkin reported that he had table fees from two dealers for the fall show. Jerry Williams reported on the federal government's plan for new currency. Ed White and Kay Crain discussed a recent trip to Las Vegas, where Ed picked up several special silver casino tokens. Jerry gave the Did-You-Knows. He also gave an exceptionally interesting program on the 1984-S dime, of which only 24 were made. Kay had brought a wonderful cake and, after a short break, a brief auction was held.

Eighteen members were present for the July 21 meeting. Ed White again presided. Barbara announced that Bill McNeil had died. He was a well-known numismatist in the area, and his smiling face, humor and wit will be sorely missed. There was a briel discussion of the club's Christams party, and Ed put forth the idea that all four local clubs hold it jointly. Bill Stein announced that there would be a show committee

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meeting after the August 6-7 Bellaire Coin show, to get a better picture of how many dealers would be attending. There was a discussion of the July 13 statements by public official regarding the issuance of new paper money. Jerry Williams reported that John Brown was preparing a program on the history of the club, and will present it later this year to help celebrate the club's 40th anniversary. Jerry again did the Did-You-Knows. Lumberton residents Roger and Karen Price joined the club. Libby Seholm presented a program on animals on coins, an example of topical collecting. She had examples depicting many different animals (including such oddities as anteaters and hogs), and passed them around for all to see. After coffee and refreshments (thanks to Tom Arrington), a brief auction was held, with Jerry serving as auctioneer

The club meets at 7:00 p.m., the third Thursday of each month, at the Holiday Inn on IH-10 and Walden Road.

-- Judy Matherne, club Secretary

Although J.P. Barnes missed the June 9 and July 14 meetings of the Greater Orange Coin Club, he provided some information about them. He reported that Barbara Edwards and Jerry Williams had offered to look for special items for members at the July ANA show in Detroit, which they were planning to attend. Jerry presented an interesting program on counterfeit gold at the June meeting, and had some challenging Did Ya Knows at both meetings. The passing of Bill McNeil, of the Port Arthur-Grove area, was noted. Bill was remembered as a frequent visitor to the joint club shows, who will be deeply missed.

The August 11 meeting may have set several records. There were 14 people in attendance, 6 of them juniors. Two new members, David Scott and Eddie Johnson, were signed up. Eddie is also the owner of the newest coin shop in the area. On the recommendation of Dewey Scott, the club voted to approve a third person to sign club checks. John Barnes joined Jerry Williams and Dewey as approved endorsers. Any two of the three must sign a check for it to be honored by the bank. The show planning committee was scheduled to have its first meeting before the September club meeting, so a report was anticipated in September.

The club meets on the second Thursday of each month, at 7:00 p.m., at the Thomen Community Center in Orange. Attendees need to check the bulletin board for the room location.

--J.P. Barnes, club Secretary

The July 7 meeting of the Port Arthur Coin Club had 11 members and 4 guests in attendance. It was announced that Judy Matherne had received an ANA Presidential Award for promoting numismatics in youth. Club members approved the establishment of the Lloyd Buss Award for lifetime achievement. The award will be presented to that member who has contributed much to the club and to the hobby as a

whole for many years. Jerry Williams and Ken Seholm, this year's nominating committee, will be responsible for choosing the first nominee for this award, as well as one for the annual T.G. Brown Award. Other business included Judy's preview of the copper-only auction scheduled during the ANA convention, and Jerry's observations regarding the BEP's pending announcement regarding paper money design changes. Table sales for the upcoming show were reported to be a little short of expectations, but confidence remained high. Jerry gave an excellent program on the 1894-S Barber dime, of which only nine examples are accounted for. Jerry also nailed the audience with some very challenging "Did Ya Knows."

Twenty people, including four visitors, attended the August 4 meeting Visitors included the Schuberts and their grandson, Shawn, and Ken Seholm's wife, Roxane. Barbara Edwards joined Jerry and Ken on the 1995 officer nominating committee. Attendees approved Dorothy's Front Porch for this year's Christmas dinner, scheduled for December 1. Barbara and Judy reported on the ANA Summer Seminars in Colorado, indicating that they had a grand time, and came away with a wealth of new information. Jerry, Judy and Barbara reported on the ANA convention in Detroit. They noted that it was smaller than usual, with about 435 tables, but was a good buyer's show. Judy reported that the copper auction was very active, and that prices were much higher than anticipated. Rick, the club's renegade treasurer, attended the 25th anniversary of the moon landing. The show committee reported that 15 tables were spoken for, 9 were actually sold, and that to break even, 25 would need to be sold. It was suggested that a new activity, an auction for young numismatists, be held. Discussion of the proposal was set for the club's September meeting. Gary Gerald gave, as usual, an excellent presentation on Buffalo nickels. He focused on the more intrinsic aspects of collecting, rather than the series itself. He pointed out that any series is a window into the history of the period in which it circulated. Junior member Libby Seholm gave a presentation on collecting "Animal Coins." As she passed around examples from her collection, she both described and told what she liked most about each.

--club newsletter, Dollars and Cents (Ken Seholm, editor)

Jerry Williams, president, called the June 28 meeting of the Silsbee Coin Club to order and led the pledge to the flag. There were 18 present, including 2 guests. Roger Price and Marvin Ashmor Marvin gave the program, on paper money, and had some of the best examples of bills and postcards from both the local area and the state of Texas that most present had ever seen. He was thanked for the excellent program. Jack Provost gave a treasurer's report, and Judy Matherne asked for speakers for August and September. Barbara Edwards read a letter to the club from Doug Buffington, thanking everyone for the kindness and hospitality shown to his guest from abroad Jack reported

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on the show coming up in October. Zeke Provost, who is a volunteer fireman, asked if anyone had ordered a Firefighters Medal from the U.S mint, and was willing to part with it. Judy brought an English two shillings commemorating the 300th anniversary of the Bank of England, and donated it as a door prize. Jerry, as usual, tried to stump everyone with coin trivia questions.

Fifteen members were present as Jerry called the July 27 meeting to order. Judy reminded everyone that the club's annual auction would be held at the August meeting. Although a list of lots would be included with the August newsletter, late entries would also be accepted. Jack gave a treasurer's report, and Judy and Barbara talked a bit about their trip to the ANA Summer Seminar. Barbara reported that while they were there, Judy was presented with an ANA Presidential Award. She also reported that the ANA did a great job on the seminar, and that she felt it was very worthwhile. Art and Arlene Larkin were congratulated on having celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Jerry finally gave some easier "Did Ya Knows." The evening's program was presented by Judy, who shared her expertise on United States large cents.

--club newsletter (Barbara Edwards, editor)

#### DISTRICT XVII

Thirteen members and one visitor were present for the July 14 meeting of the Waco Coin Club. The visitor was Debbie Summar, Joesph's mother). All present agreed that it was too hot to discuss any weighty topics, so everyone swapped stories of vacations they had taken or were about to take. Warren Hall was already sporting a tropical T-shirt in anticipation of his trip to Hawaii. Glenn Hardin and J.P. Jones brought coins for show and tell. Glenn had a low grade 1793 Wreath cent, recently acquired when he purchased a collection J.P. passed around a racketeer nickel which, many years ago, had been made into a watch fob by a cousin. A short auction concluded the meeting.

The August 11 meeting was attended by 24 members and one visitor, Nell Beckerman (Becky's mother). The main item of business was to establish a \$10 minimum for the club's cash prize drawing, held at every meeting President Glenn Hardin suggested that plans for a spring club show would need to start at once, if one were to be held. As only one member of the show committee was present, no action was taken. Don M. Miller, of Belton, was announced as a new club member. The program was provided by the Perseid meteor shower, with help form member and amateur astronomer Steve Tankersly.

The August and September newsletters contained notes about postage currency and fractional currency during the Civil War, and the addition of "In God We Trust" to U.S. currency in 1957 Each issue also carried a brief note about "This Month in Numismatic History."

--club newsletter, WACOINEWS (J.P. Jones and George Kubal, coeditors)

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